

New Jersey Notes

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THE Greenkeepers' Association of New Jersey held its regular monthly meeting at the Newark Athletic Club, Newark, N. J., on Monday, December 7. As it was the annual meeting and election of officers besides a dinner and entertainment for the boys and their wives or sweethearts there was a large attendance. Forty-four sat down. Afterwards there was dancing, singing and music, and the cares of the golfing season were forgotten for the time being.

Our guests included Mr. R. F. Arnott, chairman of the New Jersey State Golf Association Green Section, Dr. and Mrs. Howard B. Sprague and Mr. E. E. Eveal, both of New Jersey State College at New Brunswick, and Mr. Robert J. Hayes of Pelham Country Club, Westchester, New York.

The officers of the Association for 1932 will be: President, John Anderson, Crestmont Golf Club, West Orange; Vice President, William Finlay, Norwood Country Club, Long Branch; Secretary, E. Stroud, Lawrence Brook Country Club, South River; Treasurer, A. D. Burton, Mountain Ridge Country Club, West Caldwell. The retiring officers were awarded a hearty vote of thanks for steering the Association Barque through a heavy, stormy and yet prosperous sea.

The keynote at each meeting of men engaged in maintenance of golf courses in the country today is economy. 1932 will see many budgets cut and many greenkeepers worried as to how they are to maintain their courses in the best possible condition with a depleted allotment of funds at their disposal. There will be many discussions between Green chairmen and their greenkeepers to find the best possible way out of the difficulty confronting them.

It seems to me that President Morley's letter to Green chairmen and greenkeepers should answer a very pertinent question. Chairmen by sending your greenkeepers to New York City, January 19-22 to the greatest convention and golf equipment exhibition ever held in the history of the game of golf, will be doing your club a great service.

Every greenkeeper will see for himself the latest labor-saving machines for every operation; he will hear experts talk on the best methods for combating turf diseases on greens and fairways, and watering systems and fertiliz-

ing methods which have been tried out and found to be correct for his particular condition or location; all of which is going to be passed on to the clubs so that the members will enjoy the best possible golf turf at the lowest cost to them.

Greenkeepers—bring your Chairmen along with you and let them see for themselves what type of men those greenkeepers are, and show them those machines, mowers, compost distributors, and spike rollers you have been telling them about. Last but not least come to the banquet. Robert J. Hayes and his committee are supplying a banquet and entertainment the like of which can only be had in little Old New York.

Minnesota Gossip

By H. E. STODOLA, *Secretary*

THE Minnesota Association held its December meeting at Glenwood Golf Course, Minneapolis. All of the active members were present.

The business meeting was promptly called by Chairman Feser. The first subject brought up was the Minnesota short course. It will be held at the University in February. Speakers are being lined up and a worthy program arranged. It is planned to have the annual meeting and banquet at the same time. Letters will be sent to all the greenkeepers in Minnesota asking them to attend. A drive will be made to get more members.

Every member has a prospect for membership in the National Association of Greenkeepers of America and Mr. Quail, secretary, should be receiving applications soon.

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Mr. Johnson, general superintendent for the Minneapolis Park Board, dropped in to pay his respects and inquire about the short course which he plans to attend.

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This association is sending two special delegates to the Convention. They are chosen by blind vote. Part of their expenses will be paid out of our treasury. It is up to them to submit a complete report on their return from New York City. We are very proud to have our own Leo Feser on the Program at the Convention. District vice-president, Charles Erickson, plans on a short visit to Virginia while he is in the east. As January comes closer more enthusiasm is being created and Minnesota should have a good representative group at the Convention.

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The business meeting was lively and interesting and more work is accomplished each time. The fellows get into the spirit of the thing and enjoy every minute. The Scandinavian hospitality crops out and an excellent lunch was served in the clubhouse. Candles on the table and Christmas decorations. It isn't often that a greenkeeper eats in the clubhouse and he surely appreciates it. The time is coming when the clubs will realize